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1. a. (1) Tank units were quartered in the former Koenig Georg Kaserne and the adjacent kaserne of the former German 10th AAA Bn, DRESDEN (N 52/F 29) on Nordallee. Numerous motor vehicles with numbers of the following series were observed:

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(2) Five T 34 tanks had left the kaserne going towards KOENIGS-BRUECK (N 52/A 31).

b. The former German "7th MG Bn" Kaserne on Koenigsbrueckerstrasse, corner of Nordallee, was occupied to capacity by an artillery recruit training unit.

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2. The following observations were made in DRESDEN:

DRESDEN-NICKERN Kaserne: Lightly occupied by about three hundred very young troops. Truck numbers: [REDACTED]

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DRESDEN-UEBIGAU Nachrichten-Kaserne: Rear detail of 100 to 150 troops. Truck number: [REDACTED]

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DRESDEN-KLOTZSCHE Luftnachrichten Kaserne: Gds tank and artillery units totaling about a thousand troops, most of whom were very young soldiers. No heavy weapons were seen. Motor vehicle numbers:

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DRESDEN-LOTZSCHE former "NAPOLA" (Nazi training institute):  
About two hundred very young troops wearing tank insignia,  
no heavy weapons were seen. Truck numbers: [REDACTED] 25X1C

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3. The following observations were made in DRESDEN:

Former IG Kaserne on Koenigsbrueckerstrasse- Nordplatz:  
Near detail of a tank unit. Local residents stated that one  
tank battalion from this kaserne equipped with JS 122 tanks,  
was at the KOENIGSBRUECK troop training grounds.

Kaserne on Koenigsbrueckerstrasse - Tannstrasse: Guard  
detail.

Koenig Georg Kaserne on Nordallee: Guard detail of a tank  
unit.

Former SS Kaserne, WILHELM STRASSE: Guard detail.

DRESDEN-NICKELN Kaserne: Guard detail. Local residents stated  
that a tank regiment from this kaserne was still in  
KONIGSBRUECK, but was expected to return by the end of  
September 1949. \*

The following motor vehicle numbers were secured in the  
streets of DRESDEN:

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Comment: About 40 cantonment buildings, very large  
garages and utilities buildings were observed in the area  
of the DRESDEN-NICKELN Kaserne.

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Comment:

According to the observations made in DRESDEN up to the  
beginning of September 1949 by two reliable sources, most of  
the DRESDEN units of the 11th SS Tank Div and the DRESDEN  
HQ units of the First SS Pz Army were still at the KOENIGS-  
BRUECK troop training grounds for maneuvers at that time.  
Recruit training units were quartered in the DRESDEN kasernes.  
The report does not indicate whether the recruits had arrived  
in the Spring or in August 1949.

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